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COMMITTEE ACCEPTS BID ON POOLED TOBACCO

Growers to Accept or Reject It
At Meetings Today—Prices
Are Kept Secret.

J. E. Gregory, president of the Farmers Co-operative Tobacco Growers' association, has called mass meetings of the poolers in each magisterial district for 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 13, says Sunday's Owensboro Messenger, for the purpose of accepting or rejecting a proposition made for the purchase of the pooled tobacco, which has been accepted by the Executive committee. At the magisterial meetings two delegates will be elected to the district meeting, which will be held in Owensboro at 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon, December 13. Those delegates will be instructed whether or not to accept the proposition for the pooled tobacco. Officials of the association estimate that there have been 6,000,000 and 8,000,000 pounds of tobacco pooled in Davies, Hancock, McLean and Ohio counties this year. Price Is Kept Secret.

No announcement was made as to the price that has been offered for the tobacco, but of course it will be at least as high as the prices that were paid on the Owensboro loose leaf floors last week. However, if a better proposition is received from any buyer between now and the time for the magisterial or district meetings, of course it will be accepted. Last year when the pooled tobacco was sold, the growers were offered a better price on the day of the sale, but declined to accept it. By having a delegate meeting it is believed that all disorder will be eliminated, and the best possible price obtained for the tobacco.

Official Call.
The official call of President Gregory is as follows:

To the poolers of the Farmers Co-operative Tobacco Growers' association—We, the committee, wish to announce to the poolers who have pooled with us that we have accepted a proposition which we wish to submit to you for acceptance or rejection. You will please meet at your respective magisterial districts on Wednesday, December 12, at 1 o'clock p. m., at which time your chairman will announce to you the prices in full. You are requested to elect two delegates from each of your districts to attend the convention at Owensboro on Thursday, December 13, 1917, at 1 o'clock p. m.

J. E. GREGORY, President.

COURT ADJOURNS FRIDAY.

The November term of the Ohio Circuit Court adjourned Friday, after being in session about two weeks.

The following cases were disposed of since our last issue:

Pannell vs. R. M. Woodburn, et al., judgment for defendant.

Com'th vs. Otis Reynolds, charged with seduction under promise of marriage. Defendant sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

Com'th vs. Jesse Cook, charged with child desertion, case continued until the first day of the March term and defendant released from custody.

Com'th vs. Ed Wilkerson, charged with false swearing. After jury trial defendant was dismissed.

Com'th vs. Whallen King. Statement filed and prosecution dismissed.

Com'th vs. Lou Sullenger, same order.

Com'th vs. Lottie Davis, dismissed on motion of plaintiff.

In the case of Higdon's admr. vs. I. C. R. R. Co., plaintiff granted new trial.

SAM P. BAIRD DIES

SUDDENLY IN DETROIT

Mr. H. A. Baird, of Hartford, Route 5, received a telegram Sunday night to the effect that his brother, Sam P. Baird, had died suddenly in Detroit.

Mr. Baird was formerly of Owensboro, but his family had not been in touch with him for about two years. His remains were ordered buried at Detroit.

Island Residence Burned.

Island, Ky., Dec. 10.—The residence of C. B. Taylor was destroyed by an early morning fire together with its contents. So quickly did the blaze spread that the family were barely able to make their escape. The house was owned by Rebecca Howell.

JUDGE WILSON PRESENTED WITH CHAIN AND CHARM

Before adjournment of the final court, which was in session last week, the present members of the court presented Judge Wilson, who will retire from the office of County Judge the 7th day of next January, a handsome watch chain and Masonic shawl.

Judge Wilson in an appropriate short speech, thanked the members of the court for the token of friendship, and said that his association with them during the past four years had been a most pleasant one.

The present final court will have its final meeting on Friday, December 13. The next time the court meets, in January, there will be several new faces in the court, and County Judge-elect Mack Cook will preside.

UNKNOWN MAN ORDERED SENT TO ASYLUM

The Russian tramp, who was brought to Hartford a couple of weeks ago and lodged in jail, after terrorizing the people of the Taffy neighborhood, was tried in the County Court Monday and was adjudged of unsound mind, and ordered sent to the Hospital for the insane at Hopkinsville.

The man seemed utterly unable to give an intelligent answer to any questions asked him, and some expressed the opinion that he was either a crazy man or a very dangerous criminal.

OHIO COUNTY IN GRIP OF WORST BLIZZARD IN YEARS

Snow to Depth of 18 inches
Covers Ground—Thermometer 10 Below Zero.

Hartford and Ohio county are in the grip of the worst snow and blizzard that has visited this section in years—well, so long ago that many old people of the city say that they never saw much deeper snow, nor felt much colder weather.

Snow began falling last Friday night just after dark, and when the residents of Hartford arose Saturday morning they were greeted with a snow that covered the ground to a depth estimated to be from 15 to 18 inches deep. In some places the snow is drifted to a depth of several feet.

So deep was the snow that none of the rural carriers out of Hartford attempted to deliver their mail Saturday.

Saturday afternoon the mercury in the thermometer began to drop, and Sunday morning a temperature of 9 to 12 degrees below the zero mark, and hardly rose above that mark during the day.

Canned fruits and vegetables in places where they were never known to freeze before, were solid cakes of ice Sunday morning.

Monday morning was almost as cold as that of Sunday, as we heard of the thermometer that stood higher than 10 below zero.

Livestock that was caught without shelter by the blizzard no doubt suffered considerably but we had no report of any stock that was out the night the blizzard reached us.

As we go to press it is snowing hard, and prospects are that there will be several inches more added to the already heavy snow on the ground.

SWINDLEHURST—BECHTEL.

The Livingston Enterprise, published at Livingston, Montana, had quite a lengthy write up recently of the wedding of Miss Katherine Swindlehurst to Mr. Carson E. Bechtel, which occurred Thanksgiving evening, at St. Andrew's Episcopal church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Swindlehurst (nee Miss Josie Duke) formerly of Hartford.

The bride and groom are both popular young people, and the Herald regrets very much that it is unable to reproduce the column and a half report of the beautiful church wedding which appeared in the leading daily paper of Livingston.

MRS. SUE MITCHELL DEAD.

Mrs. Sue Mitchell, age about 60, died last Wednesday, December 5, at the home of Mr. I. B. Ellis, near Heflin. She had been ill almost three months, and the ultimate cause of her death was catarrhal pneumonia. She leaves two sons, Lawrence and Clarence Mitchell. Her remains were taken to Evansville for interment.

Uncle Sam—"If Those Fellows Don't Quit Their Quarreling, by Gum, I'll Run the Railroads Myself"



KAISER'S DREAM ENDED.

The Kaiser's dream of a drive through Palestine, with a view to capturing Palestine and invading Egypt, seems ended with the capture of Jerusalem by the British forces under Gen. Allenby. The Russian revolutionary movement is spreading and the new republic of Siberia has issued an order cutting off all food shipments to European Russia, which will materially aid Gen. Kalendines' efforts to oust the Tishinski faction from control. Jassy announces that the Rumanians have entered into an

armistice with the Germans which will continue for three months. With the Germans checked both in France and Italy, it is believed that the next move by the Teutons will take the shape of an offensive on that part of the line in France held by Gen. Petain's forces.

TURKEY DINNER A SUCCESS.

The turkey dinner and bazaar, given by the Ladies Sewing Circle, of the Methodist church last Thursday, was a decided success, the ladies netting \$121 on the dinner and articles sold at the bazaar.

Cause and Effect

(Courier-Journal.)

Dr. Newel Dwight Hillis, who has returned from Europe, where he served as a member of the Diplomatic Mission to the French Front in behalf of the United States Government, contributes an article to Current Opinion under the heading "What We are Fighting Against." In its course he says:

No one understands the people as well as the Kaiser. Knowing these people, the Kaiser called his soldiers before him and gave them this charge: "Make yourself more frightful than the Huns under Attila. See that for 1,000 years no enemy mentions the very name of Germany without shuddering."

These words from the Kaiser's address to the troops at the inauguration of the war are, of course, a matter of record. Dr. Hillis recalls them to his readers and says that the effect of the Kaiser's speech, and of the philosophy it expressed, "dehumanized officers and men."

Pulling out of his pocket an iron token which represents Delity as a destroying soldier, the German officer and private reads the words beneath: "Smite your enemy dead. The Day of Judgment will not ask for your reasons." Having therefore full liberty to loot these Germans became as wild beasts.

Dr. Hillis refers to the Kaiser's ambition as expressed in his statement in the pamphlet he distributed in 1912 at a conference at Potsdam Palace which began as follows: "The Pan-German Empire: From Hamburg on the North Sea to the Persian Gulf. Our immediate goal 250,000,000 of people. Our ultimate goal the Germanization of all the world."

From childhood I have been under the influence of five men, Alexander, Julius Caesar, Theodor the Second, Frederick the Great and Napoleon. Each of these men dreamed a dream of world empire. They failed. I am dreaming the dream of German world empire—and my mailed fist shall succeed. He printed one map headed "The Roman Empire," with all of the great States and their capitals—Athens, Ephesus, Jerusalem, Alexandria, Carthage—reduced to scanty seats paying tribute to Rome. The Kaiser printed side by side with that map another world map, with Berlin the capital, and by 1915 St. Petersburg,

Paris and London were to be the county seat towns—and Washington and Ottawa were to follow—with the word "Germania" stamped upon the United States and Canada.

Let us turn for a moment from Dr. Hillis' article to the detailed reports of what occurred in the first rush of the German army into Belgium and France under the influence of the Kaiser's advice:

At Vauclerc they burned 106 houses of 222. At Givry-en-Arrounne, a German officer threatened to burn the village if the Mayor's assessor did not hand over to him a girl of 15 who had excited his lust—the outrage was only averted by the arrival of French troops. Sommeles was completely burned, September 6.

When the incendiarism started, states the Mayor, M. and Mme. Andot and Mme. X., whose husband was with the colors, and her four children all took refuge in Andot's cellar. They were there assassinated under atrocious circumstances. The two women were violated. When the children shrieked the head of one was cut off. One arm was cut from each of two other children, and one of the mother's breasts was severed. Everyone in the cellar was then massacred. The children were respectively 11, 5, 4 and 1½ years old.

This is illustrative rather than exceptional. Volumes of authenticated reports of such atrocities, documentary evidence absolutely incontrovertible, in many cases accompanied by photographs, and in many others proved by photographs which are too horrible for publication.

The effect of the Kaiser's ambition and of his military policy of frightfulness has not been to terrify the civilized world to the point of submission, but only to awaken it to the vital necessity of not submitting. Civilized men will indeed shudder with disgust 1,000 years from this time at mention of the name of Wilhelm II., whose record will be preserved in history. The civilized world now shudders in disgust at the bestiality of Germany under the Kaiser, but is not appalled. It recognizes the necessity for defeating the emulator of ancient conquerors who dreamed a dream of German world empire and sought, by means more atrocious than the methods employed by his idols, to bring it into existence.

FISCAL COURT ENTERTAINED.

County Clerk Claude Blankenship and Mr. C. O. Hunter, of the Bank of Hartford, were hosts last Thursday to the Ohio county fiscal court and several others—twenty-three in all—when they were their guests at the turkey dinner served by the Ladies Sewing Circle of the Methodist church.

The hospitality of Messrs. Blankenship and Hunter not only enabled their guests to partake of a delightfully served and well-cooked turkey dinner, but also added quite a most little sum to the treasury of the organization that is doing such a noble work in the church.

TRAVELS 2,000 MILES TO WED.

Miss C. B. Hunt for the approaching marriage of Dominic Zallala and Miss Theodora Patuto were published at St. Joseph's church upon a recent Sunday. Miss Patuto traveled only 2,000 miles to wed Zallala, who was her sweetheart in a little Southern Italian village. He came to America two years ago to make a home for his betrothed in "the land of the free." He saved his money and, several months ago, was able to send her passage money.

THIS COMPANY'S MASCOT KILLS RATTLESHAKES.

Portland, Ore., December 7.—The Washington State Infantry, of Aberdeen, if allowed to do so will take a mascot to France that will raise the hair on the heads of the allied troops as well as the Teutons. The mascot is a bulldog.

The mascot has been a hit with the company's outposts in the Cascade Mountains.

HANGS HERSELF TO BED- POST AT HER HOME

An Aged Widow Commits Suicide Near Morgantown, Butler County.

Bowling Green, Ky., Dec. 7.—Mrs. Prudent Phelps, age eighty years, a widow, committed suicide at her home near Morgantown, Butler county, by hanging herself to a bed post. The woman was found suspended from the post by a piece of cheese cloth, and when found life was not extinct. Despite medical skill, the woman died a few hours later without recovering consciousness. It is mental aberration due to old age.

TOBACCO ON ACE AND NINE-TENTHS BRINGS \$627.87

Mr. Finis Rowe, of Rockport, delivered to the Westernfield Tobacco Co. here last week the tobacco that was raised on one and nine-tenths acres of ground, and received the handsome sum of \$627.87 for it.

Mr. Rowe received \$18, \$16 and \$14 for this tobacco.

He lives in the settlement known as "Smoky," near Rockport, but if he raises many more crops of tobacco that bring him as much in proportion as this acre and nine-tenths he can live on Fifth Avenue in New York if he so chooses.

PETITION FOR RED CROSS CHAPTER

A petition for authority to organize a Red Cross Chapter has been sent to Mr. T. C. Green, State Director, signed by the following: Mrs. F. B. DeWitt, Mrs. C. M. Barnett, Mrs. Minne Wedding, Mrs. Rowan Holbrook, Judge Jno. B. Wilson, Mr. W. M. Barnes, Mr. C. E. Smith, Dr. J. M. Pirtle, Mr. C. C. Riley, Mr. Rowan Holbrook.

CLEAR RUN.

A heavy snow storm visited this place last Saturday.

Rev. Birch Shields, of Beaver Dam, failed to fill his appointment at the Baptist church here Saturday and Sunday on account of the weather.

Upon returning from Hartford to his home Sunday, Mr. Willie Pogue, suffered severely with the cold.

There are several cases of shingles in this community. These on the list are Mr. Herbert Park and son, Clyde, both have pneumonia. Mrs. W. P. Hargland, Mrs. Clayton Park and Mrs. Malvin Bartlett are also on the list.

The farmers are harvesting and shipping tobacco. All are satisfied with the prices they are receiving.

DRAFTED MEN WANTED FOR SIGNAL CORPS

University of Kentucky Will
Train Quota—Telegraph-
ess, Etc., Needed.

The University of Kentucky has been requested by the War Department to consider the matter of training a quota of the enrolled draft of the State for service in the Signal Corps of the National Army and the interest of the citizens subject to the next call is especially invited to this proposed course.

The Signal Corps requires the services of thousands of trained men. It is important that they be capable telegraphers. Men who attain proficiency as telegraphers and otherwise qualify for service in this branch of the army are certain of rapid promotion as the number of officers and noncommissioned officers is largely in proportion to the total. High class men are desired because the work is confidential and largely dependent upon individual skill. This service is responsible for the transmission of information and is a most important factor in successful movements in the field.

The intention of the course is to train citizens of the State who are enrolled for the draft for higher positions than they will attain without such efforts and also to furnish us fair share of the large number required in this branch of the service. Upon receiving a certificate of proficiency he is entitled when duly called to enrollment in the Signal Corps and to assignment to that branch of the service. The work affords good training and experience that will be of value after return to civil life.

Lieut. Colonel L. D. Willman, Department Signal Officer, writes as follows about our proposed course: "This will be of wonderful advantage to the men of your state who receive the course as it will place them in line for earlier promotion, besides being of assistance to the army by preparing the men to such a high degree."

Any college work is an advantage to a progressive young man. The work in radio electric engineering is not only very interesting but very instructive, including elements of electrical engineering, telegraphy, alternating current generators, telephony, and radio instruments and apparatus.

Class-room work in Military French will be offered, every effort will be made to maintain a high standard of instruction. All students will not affect the regular operation of the draft. Certificates of proficiency insure placement in the Signal Corps.

In conclusion the call is for worthy young men, who are entitled when called and properly trained to assignment to important and responsible duties. For further information write to Captain H. N. Rowden, Commandant, University of Kentucky, Lexington, who is charged with the direction of the class.

"PINHOOKERS" BUSY.

"Pinhookers" have been very busy in the town in an attempt the last few days to buy crops of tobacco before they were placed on the loose leaf floor, says the Hodgenville Herald, but it is said that the growers are turning a cold shoulder to any and all propositions, having in mind the example of those farmers who sold to speculators before the opening of the warehouse, and who thereby lost thousands of dollars.

NEGRO BURNED AT THE STAKE

Lon Scott, a negro, who assaulted a young white woman at Dyersburg, Tenn., November 22, was captured near Jackson, Tenn., by a section foreman, brought back to the scene of his crime, and burned at the stake on the public square of the town of Dyersburg.

MILLIONS OF PENNIES MINTED LAST MONTH

Washington.—Within the last month 77,500,000 one-cent pieces have been coined to relieve the penny shortage caused by imposition of war taxes. The usual demand for small coins for holiday shopping has been anticipated in the minting of 12,700,000 dimes and 11,000,000 nickels.